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ASSEMBLY REJECTS FINANCE BILL

BHULABHAI ON CONGRESS TERMS FOR CO-OPERATION

League Has No Confidence In Present Govt. Says Liaquat Ali Khan

NEW DELHI, March 27.

The six days general debate on the Finance Bill culminated in a division in which the Assembly rejected the motion by 56 votes to 55.

Loud applause and cries of "resign" from the Opposition greeted the result.

AMUSEMENT IN LOBBY

There was some amusement when the Finance Member by a mistake started in the direction of the 'noes' lobby and Sir J. P. Srivastava who also made a similar mistake was greatly shepherded in by Mr. Sriprakasa, but was eventually rescued by the Government Whip and led to the 'ayes' lobby.

Her Excellency Lady Wavell watched the proceedings in the afternnon.

Mrs. Naidu, Mrs. Pandit, Prof. A. V. Hill, Nawab Ismail Khan and Dr. B. C. Roy were present in the packed galleries during the debate.

Proceedings In Detail

Dispensing with the question hour, the Assembly to-day took up the general debate on the Finance Bill with the determination to conclude it by the evening.

Dr. Banerjee, Leader Nationalist Party, said that the additional taxation which the Bill sought to impose was neither necessary nor justifiable. He said that his party was not satisfied with the financial settlement between London and India.

Dr. Banerjee dealt exhaustively on the food problem with particular reference to Bengal. He deplored that though all the parties with the exception of the European Group had demanded time for food debate, Government had not been able to spare time.

Bengal famine, Dr. Banerjee maintained, was not an act of God but an act of man. It was due to the criminal negligence on the part of the British Government and their subordinates here. Added to that was the incompetence of the Government of Bengal. He asserted that famine had not ceased to exist and the position was not normal

Dr. Banerjee deplored the continuance of the political deadlock in this country and made an appeal for unity.

ON KHARE'S ABSENCE

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan, Deputy Leader, Moslem League Party, was cheered by Congress and League benches as he rose to oppose the Bill. He said he had not intended to speak about the Executive Council after the vote of the House refusing supplies to it—a vote, which he said was a true reflection of practically unanimous opinion in the country. (Hear, hear). But since then Dr. Khare had chosen to make what had been described a political speech and a speech which a European member had described as brilliant. The Nawabzada thought it would be discourteous not to notice Dr. Khare's observations. He was sorry that Dr. Khare was not in the House although he had sent word to the Government to request Dr. Khare to be present.

The leader of the House intervening said an attempt was made to get in touch with Dr. Khare but he was not to be found. (Voices:—He was in the House a few minutes ago).

QUISLING V. PATRIOT

The Nawabzada went on to refer to the remark made from the opposition benches that Indian Members of the Executive Council were unpatriotic. "I do not for a moment doubt their patriotism," said the Nawabzada, "but it is patriotism of a kind which does not commend itself to the peoples of this country, it is patriotism which has been defined by the Secretary of State for India as a betrayal of their parties and leaders. "The Nawabzada quoted from the Secretary of State's speech in August 1941, after the first expansion of the Executive Council, in which Mr. Amery mentioned the fact that "regardless of party leaders and in defiance of party discipline patriotic Indians had come forward to work for India's cause. "This, said the Nawabzada, was not the definition of patriotism given in European countries, where anyone who defied his leader or betrayed his party was called a Quisling, in India he was called a patriot."—(Laughter).

The Nawabzada proceeded to reply to the Home Member's speech as well as to the speeches made by the Leader of the House and the Viceroy suggesting that the British Government had done everything conceivable to secure the honourable co-operation of the people of India in the prosecution of the war and that it was really Indians who were guilty of failure to come forward and accept that co-operation.

"YES-MEN" AS COUNCILLORS

The British Government, he declared, never really desired the co-operation of the peoples of this country. On the admission of the Home Member, the Congress were unreasonable. "Let us suppose", said the Nawabzada, "they were unreasonable. You have damned them, you have outlawed them. What about the other parties in the country? You never intended that representatives of this land should be associated with the Government. You only wanted men who would say 'yes' to whatever is placed before them. That is why you have ignored the hand of friendship of every other party in the country.

"NO CONFIDENCE IN PRESENT GOVERNMENT"

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan continuing said that since the beginning of the war the expenditure had mounted by leaps and bounds.

Referring to the Viceroy's recent address to the Central Legislature and the Muslim League Party's attitude to His Excellency's pronouncement, he said: "During the last three years the policy of the League consistently had been to oppose the Finance Bill not because we do not want to help in the prosecution of this war, not that we do not want to vote money for the defence of India, but because we have no confidence in the present Government" (Opposition cheers).

"IRRESPONSIBLE AND IRRESPONSIVE"

"We are not ready and willing to place the resources of our country into the nanas of a Government which is not only irresponsible but irresponsive."

The war might win and he hoped they would win but it would not be victory of right over might. It would be a victory of greater might over lesser might.

If it was the desire of the United Nations to save humanity from future catastrophes then let their policy be such as would secure the co-operation of the people of this country. Let their policy be such as would secure the goodwill of the people of India, so that when victory came, they might be able to say it was the victory of right over might and that of justice over injustice.

ON CONSTITUTIONAL GROUNDS

Concluding the Nawabzada said that he was opposed to the Bill on constitutional grounds also. He had opposed the Bill during the last four years and as long as the composition of the Government of India was as it was to-day, unrepresentative and irresponsible, the Muslim League would go on opposing the Finance Bill or any other measure which the Finance Member might bring before the House for putting additional burdens on the people. (Cheers).

BHULABHAI ON CONGRESS TERMS

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Congress Party, rising amid cheers from the Opposition, referred to the criticism that had been levelled against his party that so long as Mahatma Gandhi guided the policy of the Congress, there was no expectation or reasonable belief or hope that the Congress would be wholehearted in its support of the prosecution of the war. He recalled his statement three and half years ago, when he read out the resolution of the Congress Working Committee begging to differ and dissociate itself from the ultimate assertion of non-violence. The Congress had then felt that while we were attacked, it was their duty to defend the country, and in doing so there was no question of preferring one method over another.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR INDIAN DEFENCE

The only ground on which they had opposed the supplementary budget then was this: if you form a National Government at the Centre and put upon them the responsibility for India's defence and such further action as might be needed in so far as protection of democracy elsewhere was concerned, India was prepared to co-operate. By that statement he still stood, notwithstanding the fact that many circumstances had taken place in the meantime, which could be used for the purpose of refusing to accept this offer of co-operation. By that statement his party stood not merely in words but in spirit as well, because it was not unlikely that it would be said "if you oppose the grants which are asked for in the Bill and refuse to pass it, you are opposing the war and war effort."

If the war was being fought for democracy, the first desideratum was that representatives of the Indian people, who had been elected on the widest franchise permitted under the 1935 Act, should form a National Government. It was not a mere majority Government that was intended. It was a Government composed of the representatives of every element in the House. It was not even required that the constitution of the Government of India should be changed. The Congress was quite prepared to place its services at the disposal not of His Majesty's Government, but at the disposal of the country and the cause may be fought with clean hands and stout heart. (Hear, hear).

IS IT CO-OPERATION?

The Finance Bill must be opposed by any representative elected by the people, on the easily understood ground that those who bear the burden must have the privilege of spending as well. If Government continued to oust people's representatives from handling their own affairs, they could not expect these representatives to be their agents and servants in finding money or resources. "It is far better that we should find the money than that you should be able to extort it, which in present-day language is co-operation (laughter)." Could the Government claim that the co-operation they were getting was the co-operation of any integral part of the people? he asked.

"Mr. Desai added that he had every desire that India should be defended. But he was opposing the finance bill because he did not want to take the responsibility of finding the money without the privilege or responsibility, of spending it.

Mr. Desai cited the example of Russia to show what people's effort could achieve. Tsarist Russia had failed ignominiously against Germany because the Russian army had been raised not from the people. But the same Russian people were to-day fighting under different motives.

DEMOCRACY MUST BE PROTECTED

He therefore urged that it was the duty of His Majesty's Government to form a National Government at the centre and put upon them the responsibility of Indian defence and such further action as might be needed for the protection of democracy. So long as this was not done, the House would have nothing to do with the passing of the finance bill.

He referred to the war in the Far East and said he did not believe that the far eastern enemy would be able to make any serious inroad into this country. He did not pretend to be a military expert, but he thought that the enemy had not the resources. He thought the enemy had bitten more than he could chew, and it would be impossible for him to launch any serious attack.

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan had told the House, Mr. Desai went on, that Government could always have a formula and so qualify it that they could get away with it. What was wanted now was not a mere make-believe formula.

Whatever the dictionary meaning might be, there was a deadlock in the country. Representatives of the people were not in the Government. "Whatever name you call it", Mr. Desai said, "the situation in the country is one which has got to be solved in the interests of all of us. I do appeal to my friends, that nothing will be lost in making an effort, but if you don't do it and if people are uncharitable in judging you, you must pardon them." During the last five years some 200 resolutions and amendments were carried but not one of them were responded to by the executive, Mr. Desai said.

"ONLY AS FREEMEN"

Concluding Mr. Desai reiterated that they could co-operate only as "free men" and as free men not only join the Government but to fight. He was not prepared to respond to the imposition of burdens on the country which the Government wished to govern in its own way. The resources of the country, he said, were becoming less and less. The poor were becoming poorer, the one-meal man was starving and the half-a-meal man was dying. He opposed the bill.

RAISMAN'S REPLY

The Finance Member, Sir Jeremy Raisman, referring first to the constitutional issue admitted that he did not regard himself as qualified either by knowledge or by training to pronounce on it but he would indicate how the matter presented itself to him with his administrative experience and in relation to the day-to-day problems with which he had to deal. It was a matter of great interest to observe on this occasion that the representatives of two "Great Parties" had arrived at a measure of agreement as to what should be done about the Bill before the House. They had apparently agreed that they should register their disapproval of the Government as at present constituted. Mr. Bhulabhai Desai had asked: "How can you expect us to vote supplies which, you, a Government of whom we don't approve, are to spend?" That was a clear, simple and direct enunciation of the position that Mr. Desai took up. Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan adopted exactly the same attitude. What he would like to say was: "Can we hope to see that this combination will continue and go further? May I hope to be relieved of the difficulties in which I find myself of having to carry out my duties to get legislation passed in a House in which the Government does not enjoy a majority? May I hope to see that this combination will continue on fruitful lines, so that we may look forward to a speedy solution of the difficulties which give rise to all this trouble we are facing?"

"FIRST STEP"

The two Parties, he added, had taken the first step; he hoped it was a first of a number of steps which would resolve what was called the 'impasse', which would show a way out of the deadlock and would relieve him and his friends from the melancholy duty of carrying on the Government without the support of friends opposite, nobody would be happier than himself and his colleagues to see the Treasury Bench occupied by a Ministry which could command the support of the friends opposite.

He assured them in all sincerity that nothing would give him greater pleasure and he would be extremely interested to see how a National Finance Minister would deal with problems which arose in time of war. He would be only too glad if the union of the Parties opposite would not be only a union of a day or a moment, not merely union on a negative policy, which surely was not a platform on which the problems of the country could be dealt with, but some more extensive and more fruitful combination between the "Great Parties."

Proceeding to deal with the inflation, the Finance Member referred to neighbouring countries, practically in every one of which he said the same phenomenon of inflation had appeared in a more serious form than in India. He pointed out that the E. P. T. which he proposed in January, 1940, was a much more modest measure than Capital Levy and yet they all knew the measure of opposition it aroused. He doubted whether a proposal of the nature of a Capital Levy could have been got through the House.

THEY VOTED WITH GOVT.

NEW DELHI, March 27: The elected members who voted with Government besides Europeans were Sir Cowasji Jehangir, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, Mr. Ananga Mohan Dam, Bhai Parmanand, Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi, Sir V. N. Chandavarkar, Mr. Bhagchand Soni, Pandit Nilkant Das and Mohd. Shaban.

Mr. N. M. Joshi and Mr. Hoseinbhoy Lalji remained neutral.—United Press.

Bill Rejected By Overwhelming Majority, Says Desai

NEW DELHI, March 27.

'The vote of the House rejecting the Finance Bill is a vote asking for the removal of the present Government' said Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, leader of the Congress Party in a statement.

Mr. Desai added: 'That the division went against Government by a majority of only one vote should not mislead anyone. It is really an overwhelming majority of 56 against 18, because 37 of the votes cast in favour of Government are votes of people who were never elected by any constituency but are mere nominees of Government for the purpose of ensuring a mere arithmetical illusion in favour of the Government.

Again nine votes even out of the 18 cast in favour of the Government are votes of European members representing special constituencies with weightage out of all proportion to their position in their body-politic.

Lastly, 12 elected members of the Assembly who should have cast their votes on our side are kept in detention without trial by Government, and not allowed to take part in the proceedings in spite of continuing as members.'—A. P.

GOVT.'S APPEAL ACCEPTED

NEW DELHI March 27.

In the Federal Court to-day, their Lordships the Chief Justice, Justice Sir Zafrullah Khan and Justice Varadachariar delivered judgment in the Income Tax case instituted by the Governor-General-in-Council against the respondents, Messrs. Raleigh Investment Company.

Their Lordships while accepting the appeal remitted the case to the Calcutta High Court with a direction that for the decree of the High Court dated June 9, 1943, there should be substituted a decree dismissing the action with costs in the High Court. The respondents were directed to pay the costs of the appellants.

The appeal in the Federal Court was against a decree passed by a Special Bench of the Calcutta High Court declaring that the words "or, are deemed to accrue or arise" in Sec. 4 (1) (C) of the Indian Income Tax Act and Explanation 3 to Sec. 4 of the Act were beyond the law-making powers of the Indian Legislature and therefore void and of no legal effect, and directing that a sum of Rs. four lakhs and odd paid under protest by the plaintiff should be refunded to them.

The provisions objected to by the High Court were introduced in 1939. It was argued on behalf of the Government that the impugned provisions were "intra vires" of the Indian Legislature and the suit was not maintainable.—A. P.

WILL BE PRESENTED IN RECOMMENDED FORM

NEW DELHI, March 27.

It is understood that the Finance Bill will be presented to the Legislative Assembly to-morrow in recommended form.—A. P.

WHO WILL RULE POST-WAR WORLD?

Americans And Canadians Formulate Plan After Two Years' Conference

WASHINGTON, March 27: A group of more than 200 prominent Americans and Canadians to-day announced a plan for the post-war world to be ruled by an organisation described as a "Community of States."

This community would be roughly modelled on the League of Nations with an Executive Council composed of representatives of Britain, Russia, the United States of America and China.

The organisation as proposed would prescribe measures to prevent or suppress the use of force in international relations. All nations would be required to be members and none would be allowed to resign.

The plan has been formulated in sixty-two days of conferences during the past two years and signatories include college presidents, lawyers, schoolmasters and Government officials.

CHURCHILL SURVEYS ALL WAR FRONTS

Powerful Battle Fleet In Indian Waters

LONDON, March 26.

Mr. Winston Churchill in a broadcast to the nation last night made two important declarations regarding the war in the two main Allied Theatres.

First, he declared that the war in the Pacific might progress more rapidly than was formerly thought possible and added, "I do not now think that the interval between the collapse of Germany and the downfall of Japan will be as long as I thought a year ago."

Then he threw out his Second Front warning that "to deceive and baffle the enemy there will be many false alarms many feints and many dress rehearsals."

The Premier disclosed that Britain has placed a powerful battle fleet in Indian waters to face the main threat of the Japanese fleet "should it turn westwards after declining battle against the Americans."

Mr. Churchill expressed confidence in victory in Italy, in rescuing of Rome and completion of the task in the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean. He rounded off his broadcast with a dramatic challenge to the critics of Government's home policy declaring that three major measures of domestic policy were already complete. Mr. Churchill spoke for forty-seven minutes

"Vainglorious Dictator Betrays Italians"

Last year the successful campaign in Sicily brought about the fall of Mussolini and heartfelt repudiation by the Italian people of the Fascist creed. Mussolini indeed escaped to eat the bread of affliction at Hitler's table, to shoot his son-in-law and help the Germans wreak vengeance on the Italian masses he had professed to love and over whom he had ruled for more than 20 years.

We now hold one-third of the mainland of Italy. Our progress has not been so rapid or decisive as we had hoped. I do not doubt that we shall be victorious both at the Anzio Bridgehead and on the main front to southward, and that Rome will be rescued.

Tito's Heroics Terrorise Germans

Meanwhile, we have swept out of struggle 66 Italian divisions, and we are holding in Italy for the most part in close action nearly German 25 divisions and a noteworthy part of the German air force, more of whom can bleed and burn in the land of their former Ally, while other even more important events which might require their presence are impending elsewhere.

We have been disappointed in the Aegean Sea and its many islands which we have not yet succeeded in dominating, but these setbacks in the Eastern Mediterranean are offset and more than offset by the panic and frenzy which prevail in Hungary. Rumania and Bulgaria by the continued activities of Greek guerrilas, and above all by the heroic struggles of the partisans of Yugoslavia under the leadership of Marshal Tito

Deliverance From Many Perils

There is much still to be done in the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean, but here again I do not doubt that the task will be finished in a workmanlike manner.

We who dwell in the British Isles must celebrate with joy and thankfulness our deliverance from mortal U-boat perils, which deliverance lightened the year which has ended.

We have been delivered from the horrors of invasion at home when we were almost unarmed.

We have endured without swerving the utmost fury which Hitler can cast upon us from the air and now the tables are turned and those who sought to destroy their enemies by a most fearful form of warfare are themselves reeling and writhing under the prodigious blows of British and American air power.

Besides all that, our American Allies have now definitely overtaken and outnumbered us in the mighty air force that they have established here.

The combination in true brotherhood of these two air forces—either of which is nearly as large in numbers and in power, is much greater than the whole air force of Germany, aided as it will be by another Allied airforce in Italy almost as large which is now established there—these together will produce results in these coming months which I shall not attempt to measure in advance, but which will certainly be of enormous advantage to the cause of the Allies.

It would be quite natural if our Soviet friends and Allies did not appreciate the complications and difficulties which attend all sea crossing—amphibious is the word—operations on a large scale.

They are people of great land spaces and when foes threaten the sacred soil of Russia, it is by land that they march out to meet and attack them.

Our tasks are difficult and different, but the British and American peoples are filled with genuine admiration for the military triumphs of the Russian people.

I have paid repeated tributes to their splendid deeds, and now I must tell you that the advance of their armies from Stalingrad to the Dniester river with fingers reaching out towards Pruth, a distance of 900 miles, accomplished in a single year, constitutes the greatest cause of Hitler's undoing.

Since I spoke to you last not only have the Hun invaders been driven from the land that they had ravaged, but the guts of the German army have been largely torn out by Russian valour and generalship.

The peoples of all Russias have been fortunate in finding in their supreme ordeal of agony warrior leader Marshal Stalin, whose authority enabled him to combine and control movements of armies numbered by millions upon a front of nearly 2,000 miles and to impart unity and concert to war direction which has been very good for Soviet Russia and for all her Allies.

When a moment ago I spoke of improvements for the Allied cause which are taking place in Hungary and in satellites in the Balkans I was reserving acknowledging that the victorious advance of the Soviet armies has been the main cause of Hitler's approaching downfall in these regions.

I have now dealt with the progress of war against Hitlerite Germany, but I must also speak of gigantic war which is proceeding against the equally barbarous and brutal Japanese.

This war is waged in a vast preponderance by the fleets, air forces and armies of the United States. We have accepted their leadership in the Pacific Ocean just as they have accepted our leadership in the Indian theatre

Japs Show Weakness In Pacific

Remarkable success has attended the work of the American navy and of American Australian and New Zealand troops.

Progress in New Guinea is constant American victories in the Pacific and in particular their latest conquest and liberation of the Marshall Islands constitute superb examples of combination of naval, air and military force.

It is possible that the war in the Pacific may progress more rapidly than was formerly thought possible.

THE JAPANESE ARE SHOWING SIGNS OF GREAT WEAKNESS. The attrition of their shipping, especially their oil tankers and their air force, on all of which President Roosevelt dwelt with sure foresight a year ago, has become not merely evident but obvious.

The Japanese have not felt strong enough to risk theier fleet in a general engagement for the sake of their outer defence line.

In this they have been prudent, considering the immense expansion of the United States naval power since the Japanese treacherous assault on Pearl Harbour

Superiority Passes To British And Indian Troops

Actually we have suffered from the Japanese injuries even greater than those which have aroused the armed wrath of the American Union. In our theatre of war in Burma and the Bay of Bengal we shall strive our utmost to aid the Americans in their contacts with China and to do that we know that the more we can hurt and engage the Japanese and especially wear down their air power, the greater diversion we make from the Pacinc theatre and more help we give to the operations of the United States

In Burma these plans which were prepared last August at Quebec are now being put into practice. Young men are at the helm Admiral Mountbatten has infused the spirit of energy and confidence in the forces gathered to recover Burma, and by that means to defend the frontiers of India and to open the road to China.

Our airborne operations enable us to take the Japanese in the rear. They for their part have also got behind our front by infiltration. At various places fierce fighting is going on at many points.

It is too soon to proclaim the results in this vast area of mountain and jungle, but in nearly every combat we are able to count three or four times more Japanese dead that is what matters—than we have ourselves suffered killed, wounded and missing.

Individual superiority in jungle has definitely passed to British and Indian soldiers as compared with the Japanese.

Further to the north an American column or experienced jungle fighters and a considerable Chinese army under General Stilwell of United States service are progressing with equal mastery. Later on I shall make to you or to Parliament a further report on all this hard fighting which I must tell you is not by any means decided yet.

Meanwhile, we have placed a powerful battle fleet under Admiral Somerville in Indian waters in order to face the main part of the Japanese fleet, should it turn westwards after having declined battle against the Americans.

When I spoke to you a year ago I drew attention to the possibility that there would be a prolonged interval between the collapse of Hitler and the downfall of Japan.

I still think there will be an interval, but I do not consider it will necessarily be as long an interval as I thought a year ago

But be it long or be it short, we shall go through with our American brothers with our utmost strength to the very end.

This is no time to talk about demobilisation, the hour of our greatest effort and action is approaching. We march with valiant Allies who count on us as we count on them. The only homeward road for all of us lies through the arch of victory.

We may also ourselves be the object of new forms of attack from the enemy. Britain can take it.

She has never flinched or failed and when the signal is given, the whole circle of avenging nations will hurl themselves upon the foe and batter out the life of the cruellest tyranny which had ever sought to bar the progress of mankind."

NAZIS HOLD CASSINO FOR PRESTIGE!

LONDON, March 27.

From Reuter's special correspondent with the Fifth Army at Cassino: Italian army text books, 80-years old singled out Cassino as a perfect illustration of defensive military tactics. The Germans, who still hold the town, are applying those methods to-day.

Not only do they hold the town but the mounting frequency and strength of their counter-attacks indicate that they think they have a good chance of throwing the Fifth Army from the portions of the town so bitterly gained.

The battle for Cassino has become a purely prestige affair. Seldom has a battle for prestige taken such a heavy toll of life.

GERMANS BACK IN RUINS

I have now lived on the doorstep of Cassino—which is like the Sukkur Barrage blocking the way into Liri Valley—for eight weeks. The masterkey of the town is the Monastery. When the Allied Air Forces attacked it with the heaviest weight of bombs yet dropped in this theatre, they left it a broken ruin. But after the bombers had gone, the Germans were back in the ruins before the Allied ground attack was launched and the element of surprise and shock which was intended was lost.—Reuter

SOVIET CAPTURE KAMENETS-PODOLSKI

MOSCOW, March 27: The Russians have captured Kamenets-Podolski. This was announced in an order of the day to-night from Marshal Stalin to Marshal Zhukov.

RUSSIANS SMASH PRUTH RIVER DEFENCES

LONDON, March 26.

The Pruth defences are collapsing under Marshal Koniev's non-stop assault says a special despatch from Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow.

The Bessarabian bridge-head has now grown into a large salient, with its spearhead less than 10 miles from the frontier of Rumania proper. Along a solid front of 50 miles, stretching from the Balti-Jassy railway line to the highway beween Mogilev-Podolski and Lipcani, on the Pruth, Marshal Koniev's men are advancing.

The vital line from Balti to Jassy—reported to be von Manstein's headquarters—has been cut within the past 24 hours. The capture of Balti itself is announced in an Order of the Day by Marshal Stalin.

For 48 hours now large forces of the Germans have been cut off in the Proskurov region. They are reported to be completely demoralised and in many units the officers have lost control

18 Months For Jagat Narain

PATNA, March 24: Judgment has been delivered to-day in the case of Mr. Jagat Narain Lal, M.L.A., ex-Parliamentary Secretary to the Government of Bihar and others:—

Messrs. Jagat Narain Lal and Sham Narain Singh M.L.A. have been convicted under Rule 39 of the D. I. Rules for being in possession of prejudicial pamphlets and were each sentenced to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment by Mr. Samuel Magistrate, First Class, Patna. One person was given benefit of doubt and acquitted.

DETENUS IN BENGAL JAILS

CALCUTTA, March 27: There are at present about 1,300 political security prisoners in Bengal jails. Government have so far reviewed the cases of about 1,000 prisoners. Family allowances have been granted to nearly 800 political security prisoners.—United Press.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, March 27: Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 9 hours on March 23, 1944:—

Allahabad 71 60 0.3 BOMBAY 87 71 0. Caelcutta 92 69 0. Cawnpore 70 61 0.1. Cuttack 88 67 0. Darjeeling 60 40 1.1. Delhi 80 58 0. Dehra Dun 79 55 0.3. Jacobabad 91 66 0. Karachi 81 72 0. Lahore 85 61 0.1. Lucknow 67 59 0.6. Madras 87 75 0. Nagpur 86 62 0. Patna 84 63 0. Peshawar 71 54 0.8. Shillong 70 52 0. Simla 54 42 0.4.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Some look to friendship for absolute exemption from all criticism, and for a mutual admiration without limit of conditions. Others mistake it for the right of excessive criticism, in season and out of season. Diderot was content to take friendship as the right, the duty, the privilege of rendering services without thought of requiring either them or gratitude for them back in return. This we must confess to be rare.—JOHN MORLEY.

The Bombay Chronicle

COUNTRY'S VERDICT

The Indian Legislative Assembly has rejected the Finance Bill and thus vindicated the great principle of representative government. "No supplies without redress of grievances." After the crushing defeats which the Government have sustained there is no honourable alternative before the Viceroy than to bow to the popular will as expressed through their accredited representatives and establish a Government that commands the confidence of all sections of the people. As Mr. Bhulabhai says, the vote of the Assembly is a vote asking for the removal of the present Government. It is not enough for Government to retort that they must continue to function because there is no alternative Government. An alternative Government can be formed to-day, if it is to be a genuine Government of the people, for the people and by the people. In the language used by Mr. Bhulabhai, Indians could cooperate only as free men and as free men not only join the Government but also carry on the war as people's war. Though the debate on the Finance Bill covers a wide range of subjects, there is no certainty that the discussion on any particular topic will be conclusive. There is no voting on that topic and Government's replies to criticism may be entirely evasive, if at all there are any. Thus, for example, though many members of the Assembly spoke criticising gold sales by Government, no satisfactory reply has yet been given by them and may not be given before the Bill is voted upon. To ensure a decisive vote on the subject Mr. S. A. Chettiar moved an adjournment motion on Friday to discuss, "The connivance of the Government of India in allowing the United Kingdom to sell gold purchased in South Africa for £8-8 at the rate of £14 an ounce in India as brought out by the reply of the Minister of Finance of the South African Union." The Finance Member objected that the question was exactly the one which had been under discussion in the House for several days. We do not know if the startling difference between the purchase price and sale price, clearly establishing a case of profiteering, was discussed at any length in the debate. The exact authoritative figures had been published only the day before in a Capetown message and were not challenged by the Finance Member. It is a pity the President thought fit to rule Mr. Chettiar's motion out of order.

Curiously enough, while India is paying a high price for British gold Britain has recently paid a low controlled price for Indian silver. It is well-known that in 1942 and 1943 the Government of India sold large quantities of silver to the British buyers. The silver was sold at 23½ pence per ounce in Britain when Indians had to pay double the price here. And it is reported that the sales were to the tune of about Rs. 75 crores. If the silver had been sold in India the Government of India would have gained Rs. 75 crores more and the sales would have had a wholesome anti-inflationary effect. But as it is, India loses both ways, getting a low price for her silver and paying a high price for British gold. That is clearly because India is a subject nation. We wonder if the Government of India made at least a show of protest against the sacrifice of Indian interests in such deals. The injustice in the sale of gold and silver is but one of the many injustices in Government's financial policy. It is not enough to condemn isolated acts of injustice, where that is possible. The Finance Bill as a whole had to be thrown out as a token of the legislature's disapproval of the Government's financial and political policy. As Nawabzada Liaqat Ali said: "We are not ready and willing to place the resources of our country into the hands of a Government which is not only irresponsible but irresponsive." The Assembly deserves congratulations on its bold assertion of the inalienable right of people of India to be masters in their own country.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Mr. Churchill's Broadcast

While the world at large always welcomes an opportunity of hearing Mr. Churchill, his latest broadcast was more intriguing in its promise than inspiring in its actual fulfilment. On the eve of the long-awaited opening of the second front, one expected the Prime Minister to take the Allied people into his confidence regarding the future. Instead he has only regaled them with a rechauffe of the past, though Mussolini has long since become a stale joke and it is a far cry from the victory of Africa to the invasion of Europe. Indeed, the attention devoted by Mr. Churchill to purely domestic affairs and the vigorous defence of his Government he thought it necessary to give, made the broadcast sound more like an eve of General Election-appeal than an eve of second front pronouncement. The only direct references he made to the impending invasion were negative: that there would be various false alarms, feints and dress rehearsals of the second front and that the Russians might not be able to appreciate the complications and difficulties which attended amphibious operations. The first reference was superfluous and the second one is bound to be resented by the Russians, who have heroically overcome all natural obstacles and difficulties in their triumphant march from the Volga to the Pruth. Again though the tribute Mr. Churchill paid to the Anglo-American air forces is thoroughly deserved, one wonders whether he has become an unconscious protagonist of the "Victory-through-air" school.

A Secret Revealed

The Prime Minister's remarks upon the war in the East were, however, as interesting as they were encouraging. He has always been extremely cautious while dwelling upon the developments of the war against Japan and he has never lost an opportunity of insisting that the defeat of Japan may prove as difficult and bloody an affair as the defeat of Germany. One was, therefore, agreeably surprised to find Mr. Churchill declaring: "I do not now think that the interval between the collapse of Germany and the downfall of Japan will be as long as I thought a year ago." The American successes in the Pacific are doubtless mainly responsible for this optimistic outlook but there is another reason still. The broadcast revealed for the first time that a powerful battle fleet under Admiral Somerville has been sent to Indian waters in order to face the main part of the Japanese fleet, should it turn westwards after having declined battle against the Americans. This is excellent news, indeed, and it indicates the determination of the Royal Navy to pay off its old scores. General Tojo, who has always toyed with the idea of a sea-borne attack upon India, will have now plenty of food for thought while looking at the map of south-east Asia.

Govt.'s Callous Neglect

It is painful to learn that a large number of books and records belonging to the All-India Congress Committee's office at Allahabad and seized by the U. P. Government eighteen months ago have been completely destroyed by white ants. It may be presumed that much of the destroyed material was valuable and irreplaceable. Its destruction is clearly due to the callous neglect of the U. P. Government. Mr. P. D. Tandon, who revealed to the public the loss of the records, asks: "Will it be too much for the Government to inquire from Acharya J. B. Kripalani, the General Secretary of the A.-I.C.C. and a member of the Working Committee, as to what should be done now with this sacred property of the nation, which is being rapidly destroyed, and abide by his suggestions, if he chooses to make any?" The Government ought to make some amends by expressing regret for the avoidable destruction and taking steps to save whatever records may yet be saved in consultation with Mr. Kripalani.

CONGRESS POSER TO N. W. F. P. MINISTRY

PESHAWAR March 26.

The reasons why the Congress Party is not attending the Frontier Assembly are explained by Dr. Khan Saheb, Leader of the Frontier Congress Parliamentary Party in the course of a statement to the Press. He contends that either the ten detained M. L. A.'s be released or those outside be sent to jail.

He says: "Since the so-called constitution was revived in the Frontier province two sessions of the provincial Legislative Assembly have been held one in August 1943 and the other this month.

We abstained from attending the August session as a protest against the imposition of a puppet and minority ministry upon the people of this province and the forced detention of ten members of the Assembly belonging to my Party.

"We also boycotted the present session. The reasons for such action are stronger as compared with those which existed in August 1943. The Ministry though it has been in office for nearly ten months has been unable to gain any additional strength. The party position is the same to-day as before. The Ministerial Party has a following of 22 in a House of 49 the 50th member being the Speaker.

The opposition which is one compact and disciplined whole comprises of 27 members of whom ten are in jail.

The detention of ten M. L. A.'s is far more unjustified to-day than at the time when the ministry was set up. Since the August session a large number of political prisoners have been released.

Another important fact is that the detained M. L. A.'s have been allowed to vote from inside the jail for membership of the Dargah Ajmer Sharif Committee. Under the circumstances I fail to understand why they are debarred from taking part in the Assembly proceedings. Is it not on account of the fact that this means the deathknell of the Ministry.

Again these M. L. A.'s are in no way more dangerous to the alleged peace and tranquillity of the province than most of us who are still free. I use the word "province" advisedly as the Government of India have absolved themselves from all responsibility for the detention of the ten M. L. A.'s and the position had been made clear by the Home Member of the Government of India in the Central Legislative Assembly.

My contention is that either these M. L. A.'s be released unconditionally or those outside belonging to my party be sent to jail.

In the end I may state that I neither attach any importance to the Ministry nor recognise it as it is a creation of British imperialism to hoodwink international opinion.

The Ministry can boast of a majority following only when the detained M. L. A.'s are released even for a day and an opportunity is given us for a trial of strength over a motion of no confidence".—A. P.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY

Lusitanians 'B' Eliminate Friends Union, Kirkee

In the first round of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament (Proper), the second string of the Lusitanians eliminated the Friends Union from Kirkee by a solitary goal at the Bombay Gymkhana ground on Monday. But for the splendid goal-keeping of the visiting Custodian, the 'Lusis' might have won by a bigger margin.

TO-DAY'S GAMES
6-15 p.m. G.I.P. Headquarters vs. Dooly.

JAPS FROM SOMRA HILLS MOVE TOWARDS KOHIMA

Several Tokio Tanks Destroyed On Tiddim-Imphal Road On Indo-Burma Border

NEW DELHI, March 27.

On the Tiddim-Imphal road, Japanese tanks have been in action and on March 25 several of these were destroyed. In the same area our troops have captured another hill feature after heavy fighting and have driven the enemy from a position on the road inflicting very heavy casualties, says a communique from South-East Asia Command.

Fast of the road our patrols have been in contact with the enemy advancing to the north, but no major action has yet taken place in this area.

In the Somra Hill tracts, Japanese parties continue to move in the general direction of Kohima. In the Ikhrul area severe fighting has taken place and the Japanese pressure is being continued. Japanese losses have been heavy.

There are no fresh reports of the other columns in the Somra Hills or the Kabaw Valley where activity has decreased.

There was considerable patrol activity on the main Arakan Front during the night of March 24/25 and during the following day. On the March 26, our troops attacked and cleared the enemy from a hill feature in the foothills bordering the coastal plain.

Further operations against the western tunnel area have met with success and our troops are now in position on top of the tunnel, while the enemy continue to hold the eastern tunnel area in some strength.

To the east of the Mayu Range on the night of March 25/26 the enemy made an unsuccessful raid on our positions west of Buthidaung, while to the South they failed in an attack made in considerable strength against another of our positions. Our artillery has been active throughout the area.

East of the Kalapanzin, our troops captured another commanding feature and the enemy has been forced to make local withdrawals in this area.

On March 24 a further successful raid was carried out by our troops, against positions in the Haka area.

American trained Chinese forces in the area north of Shaduzup have forced a crossing of the Hkawnglaw Hka and on the right flank below Tasu Bum our forces have occupied Tangkiau Ga. In the fort Hertz area our troops have occupied the village of Tingpai on the Sumprabum-Myitkyina road.

On March 26 our bombers attacked dumps at Prome. On 25th March heavy bombers successfully attacked dumps at Mogaung.

Dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters were out in strength on 25th and 26th March attacking objectives in the Chin hills, Naga hills, Chindwin and Kabaw valleys and northwest Burma.

Four 150-foot riverboats were destroyed when fighters attacked targets in the Arakan, Mayu and Kaladan areas on 26th March.

A SAMARITAN

ARAKAN FRONT: When men from his regiment were trapped in an Arakan paddyfield by Japanese mortar and machine-gun fire Lt. Raymond Noble, Weardale, county Durham, ran a one man shuttle service to evacuate casualties. Five times he left cover to cross and recross the fire-swept paddy field. Each time he dragged or carried back a wounded man to safety.

R. A. F. BOMBS ESSEN AND HANOVER

LONDON, March 27.

To-day's Air Ministry 'communique' states: "Last night aircraft of Bomber Command were over Germany in very great strength. The main objective was Essen. A great weight of high explosives and incendiary bombs was dropped, but cloud made it impossible to observe the full results of the attack. Hanover was among other targets attacked in Germany and in Belgium another force bombed railway targets at Courtrai. Many mines were laid in enemy waters.

Nine of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter.

BLACK-MARKETING RAMPANT IN AHMEDABAD

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, March 25.

In order to prevent serious black-marketing in Ahmedabad Cloth market, authorities are contemplating to raid several big cloth firms and some mills also.

It is learnt Maskati Mahajan has given warning to members against profiteering.

More than four per cent outside merchants are buying cloth at 12 to 15 per cent margin in black market. Yet black market is uncheckable. Ahmedabad is experiencing cloth shortage.

Civil Station Bomb Case Judgment

NAGPUR, March 27.

Judgment has been delivered by the Additional Sessions Judge in what is known as the "Civil Station Bomb Case". Nine of the 16 accused were acquitted and 7 sentenced to R. I. ranging from two to five years.

All the three assessors had given a verdict of not guilty in respect of all the accused. Another accused in the same case was discharged by the committing Magistrate for want of evidence and two are still absconding.

The charges against the accused were that they as members of the Rashtriya Yuvak Sangh, were involved in illegal acts, namely, arson, house-breaking, sabotage and possession and control over and manufacture of bombs.—A. P.

A.I.C.C. Library

Just the other day the A.I.C.C. Library and its offices were unsealed for a few hours only for cleaning after eighteen months. A large number of newspaper files, printed documents typed records, and some books were reduced to dust by white ants. Due to the generous gifts of a large number of people of all shades of opinion from here and abroad, the A.I.C.C. office could establish a very useful library and I was greatly pained to see those books and other documents perishing in such a way due to the callous neglect of those who had seized them. Will it be too much for the Government to enquire from Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the A. I. C. C. and a member of the Congress Working Committee, as to what should be done now with this sacred property of the nation which is being rapidly destroyed, and abide by his suggestions, if he chooses to make?

P. D. TANDON,
Anand Bhawan, Allahabad.

IMPORTANCE OF ROADS

"The importance of roads for the economic development of India and for facilitating the transition from war to peace" was traced at an "At Home" given by the President and Council of the Indian Roads and Transport Development Association to the President and Council of the Indian Roads Congress at the Taj Mahal Hotel on Monday evening.

Mr. T. R. S. Aynnersley the Vice-President of the I. R. T. D. A welcoming the guests on behalf of the Council introduced the various speakers that were participating in the discussion entitled "Roads for India".

The speakers were Mr. J. B. Vesugar, President, Indian Roads Congress. Sir Kenneth Mitchell, War Transport Department Mr. G. M. McKelvie, Consulting Engineer to Government of India (Road), Sir Ardeshir Dalal Mr. M. R. Masani, Mayor of Bombay and Mr. M. R. A. Baig.

Mr. J. B. Vesugar liked to put roads as first priority over all post-war plans as it was not possible to take reconstruction into the heart of the country without roads.

Sir Ardeshir Dalal mentioned the importance roads were given in the Fifteen-Year Plan of the Bombay industrialists. He also asked what would happen to the thousands of lorries now in use of the Army. Referring to the Road Plan evolved by the Chief Engineers at their conference in Nagpur he doubted whether every village with a population of 300 and over could be connected with the mileage of roads they had recommended.

Sir Kenneth Mitchell said that the co-operation of the villagers would have to be invoked in road development.

Mr. M. R. Masani expressed the opinion that the construction of more roads would result in foodstuffs so necessary to villagers being drained into the city to the detriment and exploitation of the already undernourished villagers.

Mr. McKelvie pointed out that the villagers could grow more money crops such as sugarcane cotton and jute and get a bigger profit by being able to transport them more economically if there were roads leading into the city. America was spending annually a sum of Rs. 400 crores on roads the equivalent of what India's Chief Engineers proposed to spend in 10 years.

Mr. M. R. A. Baig said that although he did not subscribe to the Lahore Road being called the "Pakistan Road" or the "Jinnah Avenue" he wanted some sort of de-centralisation in the administration of road. Taking up Sir Ardeshir Dalal's remark about the lorries he said that he would like all the lorries to be destroyed as it was not even for a chicken to cross the road now-a-days.

Other speakers included Mr. H. E. Omerod, Mr. J. M. Kamdar, Dr. F. P. Antia and Mr. J. Castellino.

Jews Condemn Fifth Columnists In Palestine

JERUSALEM, March 26.

In a statement issued to-day the Jewish agency in Palestine has expressed shock at the recent murder of police officers and explosions at British Government offices.

The statement added "the destructive hand which committed these crimes is maliciously helping the enemies of the Jewish people".

ALL-INDIA CHESS PLAYER DEAD

SANGLI, March 27: Death occurred this morning at his residence in Sangli of Mr. Vinayak K. Khadilkar, a well-known All-India Chess Player. He was the first Indian representative to take part in the British Empire Chess Tournaments held in England in 1924.—A. P.

COCONUT TRADE DEVELOPMENT

Council Of State Passes Bill As Passed By Assembly

NEW DELHI, March 27.

The Council of State held a brief sitting this morning to dispose of official business.

The Council passed the Indian Coconut Committee Bill, which provides for the creation of a fund for the improvement and development of the cultivation, marketing and utilisation of coconuts, as passed by the Legislative Assembly.

There was a brief debate on the Bill, after Sir Jogendra Singh, Member for Education Health and Lands, explained the purpose of the Bill.

The President announced that the Council would take up discussion of the Finance Bill, on 29th instant if it was passed by the Assembly by then. Otherwise non-official business would be transacted as originally arranged.

The House adjourned till 29th March.—A. P.

REVDANDA HIGH SCHOOL CORNER-STONE LAID

Nawab Of Janjira Commends K. E. Society's Work

BOMBAY, Monday.

"I am glad to find that the Konkan Education Society wishes to give industrial and professional bias to the education that it is imparting in its high schools. I welcome the President's idea to turn the Revdanda High School, to be named hereafter, as Sardar Tendulkar High School into a marine or preparatory naval school and the Mahad High School into a military Preparatory School. It is no use having more Arts Colleges."

In words to that effect His Highness, the Nawab Saheb of Janjira explained his educational ideas, while laying the corner-stone of the Revdanda High School Building. He announced Rs. 5,000 as his own donation towards the cost of the same. Sardar Rao Bahadur Tendulkar of Konkan has donated Rs. 2,000. Announcements of about Rs. 15,000 were further made, one of which was from the Mahomedan community of Revdanda, amount being Rs. 2,007.

Mr. S. V. Tilak, President Konkan Education Society reviewed the ups and downs through which the Society had gone during the last 25 years.

Mr. Wakrulkar, one of the Trustees of the Society and Mr. G. C. Bhate, former President and Mr. J. V. Lele of Alibag also spoke.

More About Wingate

One More British Eccentric Soldier Genius

(By D. F. KARAKA, "Chronicle" War Correspondent)

Headquarters 14th Army, March 27.

It has now been released that the recent airborne expedition which landed behind enemy lines was led by that colourful Gen. Orde Charles Wingate.

It is not very long ago that Wingate organised what war correspondent Burchett of the "Daily Express" called "The Phantom Army" and secretly crossed into Jap-occupied Burma causing confusion and panic among the enemy.

The ink had hardly dried on that story when the 40-year-old general was again at work on another expedition into Burma, this time on a far larger and a more modern scale. The result is the glider expedition.

Already one is accustomed to speak of "The Wingate Circus". Perhaps it was in keeping with this that included among "Wingate's men was Jackie Coogan the one time 'kid' in Charlie Chaplin's pictures.

Charles Roio writing in "The Atlantic Monthly" said, "The British Army seems to produce one such eccentric soldier genius in every generation—Clive of India, Chinese Gordon, Lawrence of Arabia. Wingate is a sword-and-Bible general, a profound believer in prayer, a mystic given to 'Yoga' and a hardbitten professional soldier, who loves fighting for its own sake. He starts the day with prayer, uses scripture passages for code."—Mr. Churchill.

WINGATE'S PEN PICTURE

Wingate has been described as "Having the lean face of an intellectual, deep-set piercing eyes, a thin bony nose, severe mouth and a lantern jaw."

He is now said to be turning slightly grey, which is no wonder when one thinks of the responsibility he shoulders taking these daring expeditions into the thickest parts of the Burma jungles. Those who know him intimately say that he would be unhappy were he not to be planning daring deeds like these. That is why his own comment about himself is rather relevant.

Wingate once said: "You know I am not half as crazy as people think".

Nor is he a mere bravado, because if one looks back only a little as far back as 1938 one recalls how in Palestine he was awarded the D.S.O. to which he has since added two Bars.

This is no mean achievement for any soldier. Like all geniuses he is in more ways than one "out of the ordinary." Wingate's sun rose over the hill-spiked Burma horizon with luscious sunsets of Turner as the canvas on which his expeditions were painted. The boys who work under him say that his sun will never set. Such is the man of the moment. To us, war correspondents, he has at least given a colourful story.

"NAGPUR TIMES" FILES FRESH DECLARATION

NAGPUR, March 27: Mr A. C. Shukla, Managing Editor, "Nagpur Times" has filed a fresh declaration as demanded by the Government as printer, publisher and keeper.—A. P.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

MADRAS, March 26.

According to the Palghat correspondent of the "Indian Express" a European Judge refused admission a few days ago in the first class compartment to three Indian officials—two of them I.C.S.—in the course of his journey.

It is stated that a Calicut Indian I.C.S. Officer attempted to board the compartment but the European Judge refused him admission. Further on in the course of the journey the Judge declined admission to a second Indian I.C.S. Officer.

There being only one first class bogey in the train the railway authorities tried to interfere, but it is learnt that the Judge would not budge. It would appear, however, that the same Judge had no objection to two European officers occupying seats in the same compartment at Shiranur Station.

—Orient Press.

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"I hope you will not imagine that I am going to try to make you some extraordinary pronouncement to-night and tell you exactly how all problems of mankind are going to be solved."—Mr. Churchill.

And, indeed, Mr. Churchill proved true to his word.

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"It is a rash man", said Mr. Churchill, "who tries to prophesy."

And the British leadership, we ought to know by now, is never rash.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS (Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Sir Feroze Khan Noon vindicated his designation as Defence Member by defending the Viceroy's Executive Council in his address to the Northern India Chamber of Commerce.

(2) Sir Feroze revealed that all his colleagues had ever been ready, willing and able to resign and were only waiting for a Congress-League-Government settlement.

(3) Out of sheer modesty, however, the Defence Member refrained from describing in detail all that the Executive Councillors had done to bring about such a settlement.

(4) After South Africa, East Africa is now vindicating freedom, democracy and equality as practised in the British Empire.

(5) The Bombay public is very indignant with the rationing authorities for seeking to deprive them of the highly nutritious and beneficial barley.

(6) The Government is going to reward the white ants who ate up the A.-I.C.C. records by feeding them with thousands of confiscated books in its custody.

(7) Being white these ants will be given a special status and overseas allowance.

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HOSPITAL APOLOGY SATISFACTORY

Commissioner & Mayor Satisfied

The Bombay Municipal Corporation, at its meeting, on Monday, discussed the question of amending the Municipal Act "so as to do away with the provisions in the Act relating to the appointment of non-councillor members on the Schools Committee.

An amendment, duly moved and seconded, that the proposal be referred to the Law, Revenue and General Purposes' Committee, was also discussed.

Both the proposal and the amendment were rejected by the House.

Earlier, a grant of Rs. 1,500 for the year 1943-44, to the Adams Wylie Memorial Hospital, was sanctioned.

At an earlier meeting, this question had evoked discussion. It was stated that the Grants-in-Aid Committee, appointed by the Corporation was informed at its meeting on November 29, 1943, that Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, one of the Corporation's representatives on the Committee of Management of the hospital, had received no intimation of any meetings of the Managing Committee of the hospital, since her appointment on the Board in 1939.

The Corporation's Grants-in-Aid Committee considered the reply given on behalf of the Board and recommended that no grant be paid to the hospital for the year 1943-44, as the reply was unsatisfactory.

When the Corporation met on Monday, Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor, announced that he and the Municipal Commissioner had received letters apologising for the incident. The Mayor stated that he and the Commissioner were satisfied with the letters of apology.

The House, thereupon, sanctioned the grant for the year.

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CITY AND SUBURBS

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To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN

Common Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION OF INDIA: The members of the Journalists' Association of India will meet Mr K. P. Viswanath Iyer, Assistant Editor of the "Hindu" and President of the Tamil Nad Journalists' Federation for an informal talk on "the Organisation of Journalists" at the premises of the Journalists' Club, Prospect Chambers Annexe Hornby Road, at 6-15 p.m. to-day (Tuesday.)

INDIAN AIR ACE: F/Lt. S. E. Sukthanker, D. F. C. will tell of his experiences about Raiding Germany at Sunderabai Hall to-day (Tuesday) at 6-15 p.m. Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad will preside.

SIR J. J. MODI DEATH ANNIVERSARY: Under the auspices of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, Rahnumaya Sabha, Gatha Society and Khol Karnari Mandali, a Jashan ceremony will be held in honour of the death anniversary of Shams-ul-Ulema Ervad Dr. Sir Jivanji Jamshedji Modi, today (Tuesday), at 5 p.m. (S. T.), in the Library Hall of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo St., Fort. A public meeting will then be held at 6 p.m. (S. T.) where speeches relating to the life and career of the deceased will be made by Dr. Jamshed M. Unvala, Ph. D., and others.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY INFANT WELFARE SOCIETY: Annual General Meeting to-day (Tuesday) at 12 noon at Bombay Sanitary Association Hall, Princess Street, Bombay. Her Excellency Lady Agnes Colville will preside.

PROGRESSIVE WRITERS' ASSOCIATION: To meet a number of Hindi poets, a general meeting of the Bombay Progressive Writers' Association has been called at the Journalists' Association at 4 p.m.

AIR BORNE LANDINGS IN BURMA: All-India Radio, Bombay will relay from Calcutta a talk on "Airborne Landings in Burma" by Wing Commander, E. B. Fielden at 9-45 p.m. to-day (Tuesday.)

BANK OF JAIPUR: The working of the Bank of Jaipur, Ltd., for the period ended December 31 has resulted in a profit of Rs. 1,29,735, states the directors' report. The directors have decided to write off the preliminary expenses and the brokerage on shares and to carry the balance amounting to Rs. 92,942 to the next year's account.

C. P. M.'s SENTENCE ON BANK DIRECTOR LENIENT

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Justice Divetia and Mr. Justice Lokur issued a rule to-day on an application for enhancement of the sentence of one day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 250 passed by the Chief Presidency Magistrate on K. Mulji Jetha alias Kesnavji Mulji Katodia, one of the directors of the New Commercial Bank.

Katodia was convicted under Section 86 (a) of the Indian Companies' Act for acting as a director of the bank while he was an undischarged insolvent.

The Bank was incorporated and registered by the Registrar of Companies in April 1943 and the opponent was one of the signatories to the Memorandum and Articles of the Company.

The application, among other things stated that the Magistrate had erred in taking a lenient view of the offence, although the opponent was charged under one of those few sections of the Act which provided for a punishment of imprisonment.

Mr. B. G. Rao, Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

POLICE COMMISSIONER'S ORDER

The Commissioner of Police, Bombay, has issued an order forbidding anyone to enter, pass over or loiter near the Hay Bunder and Brick Bunder, at Sewri, without the permission of the Superintendent of Police, "E" Division.

VIKRAM ESSAY COMPETITION

Mr. Amritlal D. Sheth, Secretary, Janmabhoomi-Lokamanya Nutan Gujarat Vikramaditya Prize Essay Competition has issued the following press note:—

The Commitee has received letters from friends who are interested in 'Janmabhoomi-Lokamanya-Nutan Gujarat' Prize essay competition asking for the extension of the time-limit, and accordingly the final date of submitting the essay is hereby extended to 31st May, 1944. The competitor should despatch the essay so as to reach the Committee on or before 31st May, 1944.

In view of the scarcity of paper, the Committee has also decided to ask for only two copies instead of four.

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MAJESTIC Daily— 4, 7 & 10 p.m.

Mr. Kassamally, son of Khan Bahadur and Mrs. G. A. Dossani of Calcutta, was recently married to Miss Rashida, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Karamally of Bombay.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Monday.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar was quietly steady with a small turnover. Neither Bears nor Bulls see anything in the present situation to operate and there is more disposition to await developments. The attention of the market is diverted towards war news from Burma. Tata Steel Defd Shares opened at Rs. 2105 and improved to Rs. 2,110 and sagged to Rs. 2,102. Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 411. Bombay Dyeing Shares were placed at Rs. 2,115 and Century Shares were quoted at Rs. 1,030. Kohinoor Shares stood at Rs. 678. Price changes were narrow.

The Stock Exchange will remain open for business on Saturday the 8th April between the hours of 12-30 and 2 p.m.

BULLION: Silver prices reached new high levels today in the local market where Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 136/4 and Forward at Rs. 133/4. There was general buying under the influence of war news. Large sales to the extent of about three lakhs tolas of gold were reported today and the market was feverish. It is believed that people are investing large sums of funds in purchases of gold than in Government Securities which yield moderate interest. The recent buying is mainly based on Japanese move and it is expected to prove of a temporary nature. The Forward Silver market opened at Rs. 131/8 and rose to Rs. 133/4 while Forward Gold was quoted at Rs. 71/2.

Later on there was brisk buying and Forward Silver advanced to Rs. 136 and gold to Rs. 72/4. Later on there was some profit taking which depressed Silver to Rs 134/8 and Gold declined to Rs. 71/8.

Later on the market was steady. Closing quotations: Ready Silver Rs. 137/12, Forward Rs. 135; Ready Gold Rs. 71/7; Forward Rs. 71/8; Sovereigns Rs. 49/8.

COTTON: The local Cotton Market was quietly steady with a restricted turnover and price fluctuations were narrow. In view of war developments in the Central Sector of Burma front operators are not inclined to increase their risks. May delivery opened at Rs. 442/8 and the market fluctuated between Rs. 442/4 and Rs. 443 and steadied at Rs. 442/8. The turnover was limited awaiting further developments.

Later on there was improved buying and May advanced to Rs. 444-8. At this level there was some selling and prices reacted. Closing quotations at 6 p.m. were as under:—

I C C May Rs. 440-8, I C C July Rs. 447-8, I C C September Rs. 451.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton May contract is below N.Y. May 383 cent points at Exchange rate 331.

Central Provinces 1366, Dholeras 678; Sindh-Punjab 905; Broach 735; Westerns 206; Total 3,908 Bales.

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Khandesh Jarilla old 260/290; new 340/370; Berar Jarilla old 300/310; new 390/410; 280 F Jarilla old 470/510; new 600/620; N.T Jarilla old 440/450, new 550/560; 289 F Saw-ginned old 490/540 new 675/685.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Jarilla extra spr.-fine 465; sup. 455; fine 445; F. good 438; Broach extra spr-fine 455; sup. 450; fine 445; F. good 440; L S S Pun/Ame extra spr.-fine 575; sup. 570; fine 565 F. good 560; 289F Pun/Ame extra spr-fine 625 sup. 620; fine 615; F. good 610; S G 289 extra spr.-fine 670, sup. 665; fine 660; F good 655. N T Sind/Ameri extra spr.-fine 575; sup. 570; fine 565; F. good 560; Sawgin Sind/Ameri extra spr-fine 615; sup. 610; fine 605; F. good 600.

BOMBAY YARN EXCHANGE, LTD.

No business was transacted on the Exchange on Monday on account of sad demise of Seth Abdul Aziz Ayoob, the Director of M/s. Ahmed Abdul Karim Bros. Ltd., who are a member of the Exchange.

DENABANK REOPENS AT MATHERAN

Devkaran Nanjee Banking Co., Ltd. will reopen their Matheran Sub-office at Matheran on and from Saturday the 1st April, 1944 to transact business upto the end of Summer season, i.e., Tuesday the 6th June, 1944.

Marriage Of Sir Homi Mody's Son

Mr. Rustom Mody, Assistant Iron and Steel Controller, Supply Department, Government of India, son of Sir Homi Mody and Lady Mody, was married to Miss Shirin Mugaseth, daughter of Mr. Jal Mugaseth, at "Spirospero," the residence of the bridgeroom, at Carmichael Road, on Sunday evening. The ceremony was performed by Sardar Khan Bahadur Nosherwan Kekobad, Head Priest of the Parsis in the Deccan and Baluchistan, assisted by another priest.

Over a thousand guests were present.

"BALKAN-JI-BARI"

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, March 27.

On Sunday morning, a meeting of the workers and children of the Bombay Provincial Branch of "Balkan-ji-Bari" was held at Laxminagar Hall, Khar; when Syt. Vaikunth L. Mehta presided.

After prayers and devotional songs Lady Masani, the president of the B. P. Branch of "Balkan-ji-Bari", addressed the audience on Smt. Kasturbai's life work.

Syt. V. L. Mehta speaking on the occasion referred to the selfless sacrifice and devotion to duty of late Smt. Kasturba. At the end of his speech, the condolence resolution to be forwarded to Mahatma Gandhi was read out and passed all standing.

After a vote of thanks to the President and "Vande-Mataram" song, the meeting terminated.

LIST OF DONATIONS TO ANDHRA RELIEF FUND: Shikarpuri Multani Shops Rs. 5,158; Motichand Purshottam Rs. 1,001; Mr. Krishnarai Thakersey 6 bales of cloth; Bradbury and Phoenix Mills each 2 bales of cloth.

THE PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Annual General Meeting at Green's at 6-30 p.m.

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NO IMMIGRATION OF JEWS

British Govt. Asked Not To Violate White Paper Pledge

In observance of Palestine Day a crowded public meeting of Muslims was held under the auspices of the Central Khilafat Committee, at Chhota Kabrastan on Saturday. Mr. A. H. Mirza who presided said, that when the present war was being fought for the freedom of the whole world it was not fair that Jews from all over the world should be made to settle in Palestine. The British Government, he urged, should not permit the Zionist movement and American opinion to influence them in regard to the question of immigration of Jews in Palestine. He thought that Great Britain and America could absorb a greater number of Jews than the barren land of Palestine.

The meeting passed a resolution urging the British Government not to go back on the promises made in the White Paper issued in 1939 and to stop the immigration of Jews into Palestine. Among the speakers were Mr. Ahmedali Alvi, Mr. Kutubuddin Siddiqi, Dr. A. H. Kazi, Dr. Mahomed Ashraf and Maulana Fazlullah, Mr. Meshar Amrohi, recited a poem about Palestine.

Variety Entertainment In Aid Of Night School

A variety show was staged at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, Bombay, on Sunday under the presidentship of Mr. N. A. Faruqui, Collector of Bombay, in aid of the free night school conducted by the Muslim Educational Service. More than Rs. 6,000 was realised.

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COIMBATORE, Trichy Road.
DELHI, No. 1, Lothian Road, Kashmere Gate.
ERNAKULAM, Sri Rama Varma Club Building.
GUJERAT (Pb.), 7, Bhimber Road.
HYDERABAD (Sind), Bungalow No. 12 near Bhai-Band Club
JHELUM, Opp. Junction of Jada Road & Main Road.
JULLUNDUR, 1, Cantonment.
KARACHI, 218, E. I. Lines.
KHANDWA, Military Barracks.
LAHORE, 14, Abbot Road.
LUCKNOW, Hazratganj.
LUCKNOW, 37, Bisheshwarnath Road
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MEERUT, 286, Western Kutchery Road
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ROHTAK, Civil Lines.
SARGODHA, 61, Civil Lines.
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NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

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SHANTIDAS ASKURAN,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 27th March, 1944. 8272

AUCTION SALES

In accordance with Section 167 and 88 of the Sea Customs Act of 1878 under instructions from the Collector of Customs Bombay MENESSE & CO. will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY 28th March, 1944, at 3 P.M. (S. T.) at the New Custom House, Ballard Road, Confiscated and Unclaimed arms and ammunitions and miscellaneous goods.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

In Insolvency

NOTICE OF DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND

THE OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE of Bombay has declared a dividend in the following estates as per particulars mentioned below. The dividend will be paid on and after the 3rd proximo to those creditors who have proved their claims. The dividend warrants will be posted to the addresses of the creditors as appearing in the records of this office.

Serial No.	Insolvency No.	Name of the Insolvent	Dividend declared.	Rate of dividend declared in the rupee.
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1	833 of 1936	Nawbatsingh Dewnarayansingh Thakore.	First	5- 0
2	278 of 1939	Godhad Amichand Lohar.	"	2- 0
3	312 of 1940	Alexander Coelho	"	2- 0
4	60 of 1939	Narhar Ramchandra Joshi.	First & final	0- 9
5	324 of 1940	Bhikaji Kashinath Karandikar.	"	1- 0
6	157 of 1942	John Leonard Rosario.	"	0- 5
7	377 of 1937	Morarji Adesing Shah.	Second	0- 4
8	50 of 1938	Lowji Gopalji Parekh & Others a Firm.	"	0- 4
9	85 of 1938	Earnest Washington Bamford	"	0- 5
10	148 of 1940	Eardley Osmand Harper.	"	0- 5
11	329 of 1940	Shankar Yeshwant Dalvi.	"	0- 4
12	17 of 1941	John Sterling	"	0- 9
13	145 of 1941	Nawroji Edulji Daruvala	"	1- 0
14	162 of 1941	Ardeshir Jamshedji Patel.	"	0- 3
15	177 of 1941	Balkrishna Mahadev Bhat.	"	0- 3
16	185 of 1941	Swamidayal Kushehar Prasad.	"	1- 6
17	273 of 1941	Dennis Arthur Phillips.	"	0- 4
18	308 of 1933	Ardeshir Hormusji Nasserwanji Wadia.	Second & final	3- 2
19	379 of 1937	Peter James.	"	1- 1
20	50 of 1938	Lowji Gopalji Parekh (Personal estate).	"	3- 4
21	255 of 1939	Henry Simons.	"	2- 2
22	768 of 1935	Chunilal Shanaram Bhatt.	Third & final	2- 4
23	123 of 1936	Judah Samuel.	"	0- 3
24	447 of 1935	Surendranath Krishnarao Ranjit.	Fourth	0-11
25	499 of 1935	Framroze Perawsha Mukadam.	"	0- 1½
26	5 of 1934	Dadyba Cowasji Cursetji.	Fourth & final	0- 3
27	582 of 1935	George Ebenzer Tristram.	"	3- 2
28	669 of 1934	Thomas Alexander Rowe.	Fifth	0-7½
29	130 of 1935	Stanley Vere Featherstone.	"	2- 4½

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